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I APPEAL TO YOU IN DEFENSE OF FAIR PLAY AND HUMAN DIGNITY
TO STEP FORWARD AND SHOW THE WORLD THAT YOU DO NOT DESIRE
TO FORCE YOURSELF WHERE YOU ARE NOT WANTED. THAT THE
AMERICAN NEGRO HAS MORE SELF RESPECT AND HUMAN DIGNITY
THAN TO ALLOW HIMSELF TO BE USED BY OTHERS TO CREATE
DESCENSION IN OUR BELOVED AMERICA. THERE ARE MANY OF OUR
BETTER COLLEGES THAT WELCOME YOU TO ATTEND WHERE YOU WILL
BE AMONG FRIENDS OF BOTH RACES WHERE A HARMONIOUS
RELATIONSHIP WILL EXIST AND YOU CAN KEEP YOUR SELF RESPECT.
ALL TRUE AMERICANS WILL HAIL YOU AND YOU WILL BE BELOVED
BY THE MAJORITY OF YOUR RACE. THIS ACTION ON YOUR PART WOULD
SOLVE A GREAT PROBLEM FOR OUR PRESIDENT AND YOUR GOVERNOR
AND WOULD BUILD THE IMAGE OF THE AMERICAN NEGRO TO A NEW
HIGH THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. GATHER UP YOUR COURAGE YOUNG
MAN, AND STEP FORWARD, N NOT BACKWARD AS YOUR ADVISORS ARE
ASKING YOU TO DO AND BE COUNTED AS ONE OF AMERICA'S GREAT
PATRIOTS, AS A NEGRO WHO PUTS THE WELFARE OF HIS NATION
ABOVE SELF. YOU ARE IN AN INVIABLE POSITION TO COMMAND THE
RESPECT OF THE NATION. SURELY YOU MUST KNOW YOU CANNOT
DEMAND, WITH FORCE, AND ATTAIN THAT RESPECT. IF YOU WILL
BUT HEED MY PLEA, IT WILL BE YOU THAT EMERGES AS THE HERO

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IN THE MISSISSIPPI CRISIS. RESPECTFULLY YOUR FELLOW
AMERICAN=

HUBERT H JACOBS 1035 NORTH HILL DELAND, Fla.
ORIGINAL JAMES H MEREDITH, COPIES TO
TO PRES JOHN F KENNEDY ROBERT KENNEDY, TED KENNEDY,
JOSEPH KENNEDY AND GOVERNOR ROSS BARNETT.